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In re Application of:

Khan et al.

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**RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT /
SPECIES ELECTION**

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

The Communication mailed June 29, 2004 has been received and reviewed. In the Communication, a restriction requirement was entered requiring applicants to elect between Groups I and II. Applicants elect, without traverse, the invention of Group I containing claims 1 through 12 and 16 through 20. Applicants will cancel the non-elected claims upon an indication that the then pending elected claims are allowable.

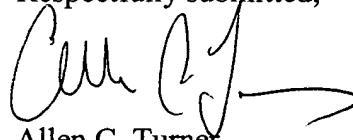
The Communication further set forth a species election with respect to the particular oligopeptides listed in Table 6 on pages 73-74 of the specification, but acknowledged that

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currently all claims are generic. Applicants elect AQGV (SEQ ID NO:2), and state that all of the elected claims read on the elected species.

In view of the foregoing, the application should now be in condition for substantive examination. If any questions should exist after consideration of the foregoing, the Office is kindly requested to contact applicants' attorney at the address / telephone number given below.

Respectfully submitted,



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